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Cabinet will ask court to allow PVA certificates to be reissued

FRANKFORT, Ky.—Finance and Administration Cabinet Secretary Robbie Rudolph today announced that the Cabinet will seek court approval of an administrative remedy to the problems related to the PVA examination certificates in Jefferson, Carlisle and Garrard counties.

The Cabinet will ask the Franklin Circuit Court to declare that the Department of Revenue has the authority to issue new certificates to those individuals who successfully completed the special exams given at the time of the PVA vacancies in the above mentioned counties during 2005, but who were erroneously advised that they did not need to take the November 2005 examination in order to be qualified to run for office in 2006.

"Clearly the misinformation given to the potential PVA candidates in these counties affected their decision not to take the examination in November 2005, which was required for their names to appear on the November 2006 ballot," Rudolph said. "If the court agrees, we will issue new certificates to these individuals so that they may be eligible to appear on the ballot in the November 2006 election.

"This is an unfortunate situation and we regret any hardship these individuals have experienced," Rudolph added. "Hopefully, this will resolve this matter in the best interest of these candidates and the commonwealth."

